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Provided full security is assured authority is granted to conduct a survey concerning a technical surveillance on the headquarters of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference in Atlanta.

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NOTE:

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is the organization of the late Martin Luther King, Jr. and its activities have long been influenced by communists. In the interest of national security, a request was made to the Attorney General in April, 1968, for a technical surveillance. This request was denied on 1/17/69. This technical surveillance is in line to be presented to the new Attorney General for authority, and a survey, with full security assured, to bring the data already in our possession into a current status, is desirable. Communists continue to influence the organization and the influence is increasing. Recently a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, USA, was hired as aide to the President of the SCLC. The organization has announced plans to organize the poor of this country and has started to enlist the assistance of labor unions in this nation-wide organization. Communist advisors to the organization are dissatisfied with the present leadership and their attempts to install new leadership in this potentially powerful organization is also a matter of great interest to the national security.

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